A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Coach Teresa
Lawrence Phillips and the 1994-1995
Tennessee State University women's basketball
team.

WHEREAS, the State of Tennessee is very proud of our athletic teams who work hard, demonstrate tremendous ability and determination and succeed; and

WHEREAS, despite strong competition, the 1994-1995 Tennessee State University women's basketball team claimed a share of the Ohio Valley Conference title, compiling a fine 12-4 league mark; and

WHEREAS, the Lady Tigers won the Ohio Valley Conference Tournament, thus earning their second straight trip to the NCAA Tournament; and

WHEREAS, this exceptional group of gifted athletes compiled an excellent 22-7 overall record, a notable winning percentage of .750; and

WHEREAS, they have excelled under the expert leadership of Coach Teresa Lawrence

Phillips and Assistant Coaches Valencia Jordan, Jennifer Bell-Mitchell and Felicia Sweatt;

and

WHEREAS, junior guard **Connie Swift** was named the OVC Tournament Most Valuable Player for the second consecutive season and was also named a member of the OVC All-Tournament squad. Senior guard **Carolyn Aldridge**, who made a sensational 24-foot three-pointer at the buzzer to beat Tennessee Tech in the tournament final, also made the All-Tournament team; and

WHEREAS, each of the other members of the team, seniors Shawanda Clay, Latessa Hickerson and Crystal Marshall; juniors Traci Boone, Kim Graves, Wendi Jones, Shunica

Scott and Nikki Sims and freshmen Stejana Holder, Tequila Holloway, Tracee Jones and Jasmin Neal are deserving of special recognition for their contributions; and

WHEREAS, the hard-working managers were: LaVette Clay, Tammi Cole, Deonte Halsey and Felicia Sweatt; and

WHEREAS, it is fitting that we pause to recognize and honor this great team on its many accomplishments; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE NINETY-NINTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we honor and congratulate Coach Teresa Lawrence Phillips and the 1994-1995 Tennessee State University women's basketball team. "WE'RE SO PROUD THEY GO TO TSU" and wish them well in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation to the school and each person named above, with this final clause omitted from such copies.

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